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Jap Bombers Attack Imphal Airfield

Enemy Lose Two Aircraft: Some Civilian Casualties Reported

NEW DELHI, November 10.

A Joint War 'Communique' states:—

"A forward airfield in the Imphal area was attacked yesterday by Japanese bombers with fighter escorts. Our fighters engaged the enemy aircraft, shot one of them down and probably destroyed another without loss to themselves.

"One further enemy aircraft was shot down by anti-aircraft fire and another damaged. Very little damage was caused but there were some civilian casualties".—United Press

MAXWELL ON SUBHAS BOSE'S ACTIVITIES

NEW DELHI, Nov. 9.

"Enemy broadcasts provide reason for supposing that an attempt in which Subhas Chandra Bose has probably taken a large part has been made to form an Indian force on military lines to assist the Japanese", said Sir Reginald Maxwell, Home Member in reply to Sardar Mangal Singh in the Assembly.

"The statements of prisoners of war, who have escaped from the Japanese, leave little doubt that the latter have attempted to force Indian prisoners of war to perform duties entirely outside the sanction of International Law and it is likely that the force I referred to above includes a number of Indian personnel who have been forcibly converted from their allegiance."

Mr. T. T. Krishnamachari asked if in the case of Indian personnel their pensions had been stopped because they took part in this campaign.

The Home Member asked for notice.

SECURITY PRISONERS

The Home Member said in reply to Sardar Mangal Singh in the Assembly to-day, that as a result of correspondence with the Provinces since Mr. Krishnamachari's resolution a considerably larger measure of uniformity had already been achieved in the treatment of security prisoners. As regards diet allowances, it was now generally accepted that these in the case of all security prisoners must be rather better than those provided for the corresponding grades of convicted prisoners.

As regards interviews and letters, all provinces now allowed Congress security prisoners to correspond with members of their families on domestic matters. Most provinces allowed interviews, but some had not yet been able to see their way to doing so. As regards books, newspapers and games, he had no reason to believe that any security prisoner suffered from a lack of suitable reading matter or facilities for recreation. As regards family allowances, the general principle had been accepted that they might be granted where the detention of the person concerned had deprived his family of a legitimate source of income and had resulted in real hardship.

Sardar Mangal Singh: Are interviews allowed in the Punjab?

The Home Member: No.

"DANGEROUS PEOPLE"

Mr. Abdul Qayum asked why it was that Congress members of the Frontier Province Assembly had not been released though many other security prisoners had been.

The Home Member: That shows what dangerous people they must be (loud laughter).

Sardar Mangal Singh: Is it a fact that the revenues of certain departments have been mortgaged with the Government of the United States of America in consideration for the Lend-Lease materials supplied to India by the United States?

The Finance Member: No.

The Finance Member replied in the negative to the same member's question whether any Lease-Lend agreement had been entered into between India and America.

Sardar Mangal Singh: Is it not a fact that talks have been going on?

The Finance Member replied that there had been conversations but at the present moment discussions in regard to mutual aid agreement were suspended.

ECHO OF ORDER ON "HITAVADA" EDITOR

The retirement of Mr. J. R. Blair and the order issued on the "Hitavada" in connection with it were mentioned in the course of a question put by Mr. Govind Deshmukh. Sir Reginald Maxwell, Home Member, said in reply that the retirement was voluntary and was in no way connected with any breach of the Government servants' conduct rules.

The Government of the Central Provinces were asked to obtain, from the editor of the "Hitavada" information as to the source of an article entitled "another civilian resigns: story of a censored letter", which appeared in the issue of that newspaper dated August 21. This article purported to disclose the working of the censorship and it was clearly necessary in the interests of military security as well as in the public interest to investigate its origins. The Government of the Central Provinces were accordingly authorised to resort to Defence Rule 116 if the editor of the "Hitavada" declined to give this information voluntarily.

Two-thirds of the cost of entertainment of British troops in India was paid by H.M.G. and one-third by the Government of India, said Mr. Wakely, Defence Department spokesman, replying to Mr. Deshmukh.

RELEASE OF SECURITY PRISONERS

The number of security prisoners of all sorts in detention on January 1, 1943, was 9,853 said the Home Member in reply to Mr. Chattopadhyaya. The number on September 1 last, was 10,780 but it was understood that a good many prisoners had been released since that date. The number of state prisoners detained under Central Government warrants under Regulation Three of 1818 on September 30, 1943, was ten. No such prisoners were released during 1943. He had no information as to the number of prisoners detained under the Regulation or released by Provincial Governments.

NO SPECIAL TRIBUNALS

So far as he was aware, no special tribunals for examining the cases of persons detained under the Defence of India Rules were at present in existence, he added in reply to the same member. The cases of these persons were however under constant review by the Governments concerned, both Central and Provincial, and a number of persons had been released from detention as a result of these reviews.

OVER 20,000 STILL IN JAILS

The Home Member in a statement in reply to Mr. Joshi gave the number of persons undergoing imprisonment in connection with the Congress movement in all provinces on September 1, 1943, as 19,284 and those undergoing detention as 8,073. The number of security prisoners released was 7,447.

Except in the case of one Bengal newspaper, on which a precensorship order was served by the Bengal Government, there had been no censorship of news or comment appearing in the Indian Press about famine conditions in the country or deaths resulting from starvation in Bengal and other places, said Sir Sultan Ahmed in reply to Mr. Neogy.—A. P.

Dr. Besant's Statue To Be Unveiled

MADRAS, Nov. 10.

Fifty years have elapsed since Dr. Annie Besant set foot on Indian soil, landing at Tuticorin on 16th November, 1893. The jubilee of that event will be celebrated throughout India on Tuesday next particularly by Theosophists.

The Adyar Headquarters has arranged a special morning programme and in the evening Dr. Besant's statue on the Marina raised by public subscription of Madras citizens will be unveiled.—A. P.

Drugs Control Order

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10.

The Drugs Control Order, 1943 issued to-day by the Industries and Civil Supplies Department regulates the selling prices and distribution of drugs and pharmaceutical articles, says a Press Note.

A comprehensive schedule which has immediate effect gives maximum selling prices for a large number of drugs and other pharmaceutical articles. It is an offence under the order (1) to sell any such article at a price higher than the controlled ceiling price, and (2) for any dealer to refuse to sell any drug which he has in stock without reasonable cause. Dealers who contravene the provisions of the order are also liable to have their stocks forfeited and the licence without which they cannot do their business cancelled.—A. P.

Sugar Ration Cards For City

New sugar cards and new supplementary sugar cards for children are ready for distribution at the Ward Rationing Offices. These can be obtained on the production of the current sugar cards and of the individual foodgrains ration cards in the case of children above two years and of the individual ration card of the householder in the case of children below two years.

Delivery of these cards should be taken before Saturday, November 13 as after that date the current sugar cards will cease to be valid and sugar can be obtained only on the new cards.

COCHIN, Nov. 9: Arrangements are in progress in Cochin for the installation ceremony of His Highness Rama Varma, the new Maharaja of Cochin which will take place at the Durbar Hall Ernakulam on the 14th instant.—A. P.

NEW DELHI.

Another Poppy Day is here and I appeal to you for funds to help all Ex-Servicemen, British and Indian, including those who fought in the last war as well as those who are fighting in this.

This war will make further great demands on the resources of the British Ex-Services Association and of the Indian Army Benevolent Fund. I am sure you will come to their aid to-day as generously as you have been wont to do in the past.

You can help by buying Poppies and also by making direct contributions to your local Committee, or to the Headquarters in Delhi of the two associations which I have mentioned. Donations may be made specifically to either fund, if so desired; otherwise donations and the proceeds of the sale of Poppies will be divided between the two funds as the local Committee may decide.

J. Auchinleck
General.

11th November 1943.

British 'Subs' Active

Toll Of German Ships In Mediterranean

LONDON, Nov. 10: It is officially announced that British submarines have sunk seven German ships in the Mediterranean and probably sunk three more and damaged six others.

A medium sized vessel and R-boat, both carrying troops, were intercepted in the Aegean, torpedoed and sunk.

Another escorted convoy in the Aegean was intercepted by one of His Majesty's submarines and attacked with gun fire.

INDIA'S LITERARY INTERPRETERS

Dr. Shahani On Roles Of Gandhiji And Jawahar

LONDON, Nov. 10.

Speaking of Mr. Gandhi and Pandit Nehru at a lecture before the East India Association to-day on "the literary interpreters of India", Dr. Ranjee G. Shahani said "the first knows the peasant of India as not even Buddha knew him: the second has an understanding of the younger generation that is without parallel anywhere. Unfortunately, both as also many other Indian leaders have no true idea of the direction in which Britain is moving and has long been moving.

Sir Ramaswami Mudaliar was quite right when he said at the last annual meeting of the Association that there has been a great change in the inter-war period in the British attitude towards India. It is a thousand pities that so few Indians seem to know this. Something should be done to enlighten them all. It is not for me to say what this should be. I only know that to make the peoples of Great Britain and India understand, esteem and mutually benefit by psychology and experience of one another is a problem requiring the assiduous and loving work of many men of goodwill.

Continuing Dr. Shahani said that most Anthropologists had noted the fundamental kinship between Indians and Russians. The two peoples reacted with the pulse of life in almost the same way.—Reuter.

Gruesome Find In "BlackHole" In Fort Area

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Stricken by a continued spell of hunger and starvation as a result of which she was reduced to a bag of skin and bones, a young woman of 35 was found lying dead her body partly eaten by rats, in a bed of rugs, with no better apparels on her body in a dingy little room under the staircase of a building in the Fort area on Monday.

The room which is hardly 5ft. in sq. area with a roof which does not permit the occupants to stand erect presents the appearance of a veritable black hole. Hurdled in the tiny little cubicle lived the deceased, Shantabai Bhagwanji, with her aged father-in-law and two youngsters. The old man too was so emaciated with hunger, that he lay unconscious in a corner while the rats nibbled at the body of his long dead daughter-in-law.

The children who had not eaten for days together were found rolling on their empty stomachs.

This ghastly picture of extreme poverty and insatiable hunger was described by a police officer in the course of an inquest held over the death of the woman at which the jury returned a verdict of "death due to natural causes."

INDIA "EXPERTS" PARADE

Deputed By British Govt. They "Enlighten" Public Opinion Abroad

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 9.

Apropos of the Indian Legislative Assembly's censure vote regarding the sending out of lecturers from India to the United States, non-official Indian and British opinion in Britain is also critical.

Regarding the action of authorities who last year asked Mr. Henry, S. L. Polak, Mr. S. K. Radcliffe, Mr. T. A. Raman and Sir Samuel Ranganadhan to conduct lecture tours in the United States, especially in connection with the Indian political situation, it is learnt that, although the Government of India met the expenses incurred on the tours of Sir S. Ranganadhan and Mr. Raman, those of Messrs. Polak and Radcliffe were met from non-Indian sources.

Mr. Raman is still in the United States helping Sir Norman Angell and others to "enlighten" American public on India.

In Britain, Captain Lalkaka from Bombay, Mr. Cowasji Jehangir (junior), the Imam of the Woking mosque, Mr. Chinna Durai, Rev. Pitt Bonnerjee, Sir Alfred Watson, Mr. Henry, S. L. Polak and Sardar Iqbal Ali Shah take advantage of the Ministry of Information's platform and speak about India to British civilians and servicemen and women. Some of them also frequently contribute to the correspondence columns of British newspapers.

Jayakar Exposes British Indifference, Towards Tragic Situation

BOMBAY, Nov. 10.

Mr. M. R. Jayakar has issued the following statement:—

I would like the fact to be more widely known in India, for few newspapers have reported it, that at the last debate in the House of Commons on the Indian food question, the attendance of members varied from 35 to 53 out of a total of 600 and odd.

Mr. Churchill, who manages to be present in the House when the fate of the smallest country in Europe is concerned, could find no time to be present or to participate in the debate which concerned the fate of 400 millions of his fellow subjects.

This knocks the bottom out of the old superstition that these 600 and odd men could govern India from 7,000 miles away. Is it not time that this Punch and Judy show was ended? "What is Hecuba to him and he to Hecuba that he should weep for her?"—A. P.

British Boon For Jap Occupied Territories!

WESTMINSTER, Nov. 10: The British Government has decided to adopt a policy of total prohibition of opium smoking in British and British protected territories in the Far East, which are now in Japanese occupation, declared the Colonies Secretary Colonel Oliver Stanley in the Commons to-day. He added that in accordance with the policy the prepared opium monopolies formerly in operation in these territories would not be re-established on their re-occupation.

Nazimuddin For Delhi

CALCUTTA, Nov. 10

Sir Nazimuddin, Chief Minister of Bengal, left to-night for Delhi to attend the meeting of the Council of the All-India Muslim League.—A. P

MEHERALLY IMPROVES

BOMBAY, Wednesday

The condition of Mr. Yusuf Meherally is showing decided improvement, and Dr. Sumatilal Mehta, who is in charge, gave the assurance that there was no cause for anxiety. Mr. Meherally is in need of complete rest and hopes too many visitors won't come to see him.

PESHAWAR, Nov. 10.

Miss Macfare, a young British nurse, was shot dead yesterday at three p. m. in her bungalow at Nowshera, about twenty miles from Peshawar. The assailant escaped. Police investigation is proceeding.—United Press.

NAZI FORCES FACE ENCIRCLEMENT

Triple Soviet Drive In Dnieper 'Bend'

MOSCOW, Nov. 10.

From Reuter's Staff Correspondent:

The motorised spearhead of Gen. Vatutin's victorious troops striking north-west from Kiev is to-day less than 15 miles from the important junction of Korosten, which controls the last railway before the old polish border.

Another spearhead driving south-west is now five miles beyond Kiev and only 20 miles from the important communication centre of Berdichev. Further the drive south of Kiev now threatens the roads and rail junction of Byelaya Tserkov, 50 miles from the city.

Large German forces in the Dnieper 'Bend' are now threatened with encirclement.

In the Crimea, Russian guns are shelling Kerch, while Red Army troops backed by marines, continue their advance on the city.

Fighting continues west and north-west of Nevel, the Russian stronghold 80 miles from the Latvian border.

SOUTH OF KIEV

South of Kiev, Red Army patrols have made their first contact with troops of the Soviet bridgehead at Pereyaslav, 60 miles down the Dnieper from Kiev. In a drive from Kiev, Soviet forces are already half way to Zhitomir, key railway junction on the last remaining north-south railway. Another force is approaching Korosten further north on the same railway. A number of places have been occupied on the east bank of the River Teterev which flows from Zhitomir in the north-easterly direction to join Dnieper north of Kiev. The Germans cannot now expect to make a stand on this river since another Soviet force is descending along the right bank from the north-east.

NAZIS CLEAR FR. ATLANTIC COAST OF CIVILIANS

MADRID, Nov. 10.

The German Command in South-West France is reported to have ordered evacuation of the entire civilian population from a ten-to-fifteen miles wide strip along the Atlantic coast between the Spanish border and Bordeaux.—Reuter.

CALCUTTA AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

Severe Gas Rationing

CALCUTTA, Nov. 10.

The supply of gas in the city is, it is learnt, proposed to be "severely" rationed at the instance of the Government of Bengal.

In order to assist the rationing scheme, Government think that all gas lights in the city except those at street corners and important crossings should be cut off. This measure is calculated to save at least 2000 tons of coal per month. Government have already approached the Calcutta Corporation with a request to take early steps for cutting off the number of gas lights in the streets to the absolute minimum.

In the opinion of the authorities, this further restriction of lighting in the streets will make very little difference and according to the Air Force, "will increase the safety of Calcutta in case of future raids."

The present proposal of Government when given effect to will reduce the number of gas lights in the city from 18,000 to 4,649 only.

Madras Sirens Will Be Sounded

MADRAS, Nov. 10: In modification of their Press Note in October, the Government of Madras in a Press Note issued this evening say that the public are informed that it has, with the concurrence of the Government of India, been decided that in the event of information being received that an air raid is imminent the sirens will be sounded irrespective of the number of aircraft involved.—A. P.

Two Railway Experts For India

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10

Mr. R. J. M. Inglis, who is a Divisional Manager of the London and North Eastern Railway Company, and Col. J. A. Appleton, who was formerly General Manager of the New York zone of the Pennsylvania Railroad and is now in the U. S. Army, will shortly pay a visit of a few months' duration to India at the invitation of the Government of India in order to place their experience and advice at the disposal of the Indian Railway Administration, says a Communique. The London and North Eastern Railway Company and U. S. Army have agreed to release Mr. Inglis and Col. Appleton for this purpose.—A. P.

Folding Cycles For Br. Parachutists

LONDON, Nov. 10: Photographs are published to-day of folding motor bicycles which are included in equipment dropped with British parachute troops. These folding motor-cycles are carried in boxes. They are equipped with small wheels of about the same size as a Hilds cycle, but although they can be easily lifted by one man, they can be ridden over rough ground, reach a speed of 45 miles per hour and do 180 miles to a gallon of petrol.—Reuter.

CHINESE GOODWILL MISSION TO BRITAIN

CHUNGKING, Nov. 10.

It is officially announced to-day that a Chinese Goodwill Mission will shortly visit England at the invitation of the British Government as a return gesture for the visit of the British members of Parliament to China last year.

Rain In Italy Holds Up Fifth Army

Nazi Plans To Blow Up Rome Hotels: Duce Under German "Vigilance"

LONDON, November 10.

It is officially announced that the Eighth Army have captured Carovialli.

The Algiers (United Nations) Radio said:—

The Eighth Army advanced up to four miles yesterday and has captured Castigliogne and Carovialli, four miles west of Bagnoli. The Eighth Army has also captured Forli del Sannio.

APPALLING CONDITIONS TO GAIN HEIGHTS

From Reuter's special correspondent:

Heavy rain is to-day holding up the Fifth Army, who are battling through appalling conditions to gain the heights commanding Cassino and the road to Rome.

Squalls are continuously blasting the mountains and supplies have been sent forward on mules or by rain-soaked, bedraggled infantrymen over slippery mountain tracks.

It is because the coastal road to Rome can so easily be blocked or flooded by the Germans that the main focus of the fighting is developing on the inland road running through Cassino.

CASSINO HEDGEHOG

The Germans have turned Cassino into a formidable hedgehog whose sharp quills—heavy gun emplacement, mortar batteries and machine-gun nest—bristle out from the mountains in an eight-mile-wide are challenging the Allied advance.

NAZI WINTER LINE

At both flanks of Gen. Alexander's army group, the Allied front is now up against the new German winter line on which prisoners say the Axis High Command is determined to try to stand to bar further progress to Rome.

ROME HOTELS TO BE BLOWN UP

From Reuter's special correspondent in Southern Italy.

Rome hotels in the Via Veneto quarter are all mined ready to be blown up when the Germans leave the city. The Fascists have withdrawn diplomatic privileges from the foreign missions still remaining in Rome. The Swedish Minister is among those affected by this action. Forty picked officials representing the Fascist faction have been drawn from the Rome Foreign Office and sent to the Fascist Foreign Office established at Brescia.

Axis and satellite diplomats have been transferred to Venice while neutrals are invited from elsewhere in North Italy. Officials of the Spanish Embassy have left Rome for Madrid.

Meanwhile Italian Alpine troops in Guerilla formations are harassing the Germans in the mountains near Mount Cenis Pass. Fighting here affects the district through which huge volume of military traffic is now passing between Fiume and Italy apparently in both directions.

Many shops are shut in Rome where only small fractions of official rations are obtainable against food tickets.

Graziani and Mussolini are believed to be under constant vigilance and German pressure.

The Allied North Africa Headquarter 'communique' states: Heavy bombers of the North-West African Air Forces attacked targets at Villar Perosa and Genoa yesterday. Fighter-bombers and fighters attacked shipping and gun positions near Durazzo Albania. Two enemy aircraft were destroyed.

It is now confirmed that additional 26 enemy aircraft making total of 56 were destroyed during the raid on Wiener Neustadt on November 2. Last night the railway and the rail bridge at Pontassiev was attacked by night bombers."

WESTMINSTER, Nov. 10.

Mr. Churchill replied: "I hope so," when questioned in the Commons to-day on whether it was proposed to adopt a system of national military training after the war. He added it was too early to pronounce on the subject.—Reuter.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (MARCH)

NEW YORK, Nov. 10.

Previous closing	19.36
To-day opening	19.37
Difference	+01
To-day's closing	19.32
Difference	—.04

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

CALCUTTA, Nov. 10.

The Market ruled steadier again for coals while cotton shares continued in their strong request. Jute and other principal stocks remained more or less unthanged. Government Securities were unchanged.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

THREE U. S. DESTROYERS SUNK

WASHINGTON: Two United States destroyers were sunk in the South Pacific in October. Another destroyer had to be sunk in the Atlantic as a result of damage sustained while attacking and sinking two U-Boats.

India is among the six of the 45 States which have continued to pay their full contributions to the League of Nations.—Reuter.

NAZI TIME-TABLE FOR ITALY

ALGIERS, Nov. 10

The Fifth Army have struck against the new German winter line, which captured German documents say must be held for at least eight weeks, says Reuter's Special Correspondent.—Reuter.

CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, November 10.

SHARES: The Share Bazar opened steady but in the absence of any important support, quotations assumed sagging tendency under increased offerings. At present traders are not inclined to increased their purchases pending further developments and the market is marking time. The undertone is steady but there is absence of buying urge. It is true that occasionally the market is finding active selection buying. Tata Steel Dfd shares opened at Rs. 1930 and declined to Rs. 1,972, Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 396, Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1,965 while Century shares were done at Rs. 947 and Kohinoors changed hands at Rs. 636. Dena Investment shares were placed at Rs. 38. The market was quiet and under persistent selling prices kept on seeking lower levels.

GOVT. SECURITIES: 2-3/4 per cent 1948-52 Loan 99-12, 3-1/2 per cent G. P. Note 97-6 3 per cent 1946 Def Loan 102-5, 3 per cent 1949-52 Loan 100-9, 3 per cent 1951-54 Loan 100-2, 3 per cent 1953-63 Loan 98-3 4-1/2 per cent 1955-60 Loan 115-8, 3-1/2 per cent 1947-50 Loan 103-7 4 per cent 1960-70 Loan 111-14 3 per cent 1953-63 Def. 100-12.

BULLION: Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0 Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02-1/2 to 4.03-1/2 at London and 4.03-3/4 at New York. London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d and New York spot silver was qoted at 44-3/4 cents. The local market was quiet today. Gold fluctuated between Rs. 77 and Rs. 78/3 and steadied at Rs. 77/3. Sovereigns placed at Rs. 52/12. Silver also moved between Rs. 121/8 and Rs. 121/14 and later steadied at Rs. 121/12. The market outlook is less encouraging and bulls are unloading on rallies.

The market was quiet throughout the day and closing quotations were ready gold Rs. 77/2, delivery Rs. 76/13 Sovereigns Rs. 52/12, Ready Silver Rs 122/4, delivery Rs. 121/4

COTTON: The local market was quietly steady with somewhat uncertain feeling. January option opened at Rs. 456 and improved to Rs. 957 but renewed selling pressure appeared and prices declined to Rs. 454/5 The Bombay Government has issued new rules for demanding deposit of Rs. 25 per bale on net open business on the day previous to the settlement day and deposits bearing no interest are to be made on the inward payment day. The Board is empowered to call for statemene of open business and demand explanation any day. The first settlement is fixed on Friday.

The market was quietly steady with utter absence of any important business. Closing quotations at 6 p.m. were as under:—

I. C. C. Jan. 456-4-0; I. C. C March 459-4-0; I. C. C. May 464-4-0.

During the early part of the afternoon there was some buying and January improved to Rs 456/8. Quotations at 3 p.m. were as under:

	Rs. a. p.
I. C. C Jan	456 8 0
" Mar.	459 8 0
" May	464 8 0

COTTON PARITY: I. C. C. January is below New York January 198 cent points at exchange rate 331.

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES
BOMBAY Nov 9

	High	Low	Close
I. C. C. Jan.	458/4	453/4	455/8
" March	461/8	456/8	458/8
" May	466	461/8	463/8

NEW YORK COTTON
NEW YORK, November 9.
December 19.62+22; January 19.59 +26; March 19.36+22; May 19.10 +19; Middling spot, 20.28+17.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON
December 19.74; January 19.63; March 19.48 Middling spot mutilated.

WESTMINSTER, Nov. 10: The first requirements of material for the manufacture of synthetic rubber in Britain have been issued to a British company. This information was given to the Commons to-day by the Minister of Production Mr. Oliver Lyttleton who said the company was financing the project itself. It was commercial production and not experimental.—Reuter.

ACTIVE SHARES AT A GLANCE

Tata Steel Ord (398) 400 94 96/8 95/8 96 95/8; T.S. Dfds (1935) 1940 2/8 12/8 7/8 13/12 7/8 10 12 10; Dyeing (1961/4) 1970 73 55 65 60 52/8 57 55 62 57/8; Century (948) 952 55 43 47 46 49 43 46 44; Kohinoor (634) 636 38 31 34/8 33 35 31 34 33; Swadesh (605) 612 6 4 9 12 6 10 8 10 14; Nagpur (466) 470 64/8 67/8 64 65 Simplex (281) 282 80 81 82 80; New Great (431) 432 28 29; Gokak (346) 347 44 45 44; Cement (222/4) 222/12 21/4 21/8.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Nov. 10

Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches recorded at nine hours on 6-11-43:—

Allahabad 93 61 nil; BOMBAY 88 78 0; Calcutta 89 67 nil; Cawnpore 91 60 nil; Cuttack 92 73 nil; Darjeeling 75 47 0; Delhi 89 54 0; Dehra Dun 80 52 nil; Jacobabad 93 55 nil; Karachi 87 68 0; Lahore 88 52 nil; Lucknow 93 58 nil; Madras 85 74 T; Nagpur 91 65 nil; Patna 88 65 nil; Peshawar 83 64 nil; Shillong 72 45 nil; Simla 60 46 nil.—A. P.

"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it".

—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

POLITICAL PRISONERS

In reply to a question by Mr. N. M. Joshi in the Central Legislative Assembly the Home Member is reported to have said that the number of persons undergoing imprisonment "in connection with the Congress movement" in all the provinces on September 1, was 19,284 and those undergoing detention was 8,073. If Mr. Joshi used the words "in connection with the Congress movement", he has done injustice to Congress and will, we hope, withdraw these words. The Congress should not be identified with the outbursts of violence that have followed the "leonine violence' of Government in imprisoning Gandhiji and thousands of Congressmen without charge or trial. If the words were used by the Home Member, it is clear he will not withdraw them. He is bent on discrediting the Congress.

That there are still over 8,073 men in jail without a trial shows how low justice has fallen in India. Asked why it was that Congress members of the Frontier Province Assembly had not been released though many other security prisoners had been, the Home Member replied amidst "loud laughter": "That shows what dangerous people they must be." We are not told who indulged in the laughter. But we may presume that officials did. Some non-officials may have laughed at the Home Member's logic. However, the Frontier Assembly members may well be a source of danger to the Frontier Cabinet, which is sure to receive short shrift the moment the members are free to attend the Assembly. The Home Member, too, has reason to treat the whole thing as a joke as he has set the example by keeping in jail Congress leaders, who are sure, if free, to explode the lies circulated against them.

As regards the treatment of Congress detenus, the Home Member said that while most provinces allowed interviews to them, some, including the Punjab, have not yet seen their way to do so. According to his own logic that only shows what dangerous people the prisoners not allowed interviews must be. The Government of India can afford to be complacent about this as they themselves are responsible for denying interviews to Gandhiji and the members of the Working Committee. As regards family allowances, the Home Member said that the general principle had been accepted that they might be granted where the detention of the person concerned had deprived his family of a legitimate source of income and had resulted in real hardship. The principle has probably been accepted in the same sense that another principle, that no man shall be imprisoned without a trial, has been accepted. If there are many, as we think there are, who do not get any allowances, the Home Member will only turn round and say that that only shows they do not need any allowances.

Churchill Reiterates

To us the main importance of Mr. Winston Churchill's speech at the Lord Mayor of London's annual banquet was, naturally, that it reminded us of the British Premier's pronouncement at the previous year's function. Mr. Churchill himself recalled it too, and the war situation having further improved, he made a point of repeating that statement. So he assured his audience of fellow-Britishers:

> "Last year, in 1942, I thought it right to say that I did not consider it any part of my duty to liquidate the British Empire. I do not conceal from you that I hold the same opinion."

That historic challenge of his to the whole world that the British meant to hold what was theirs—no matter how it became theirs and no matter how it made nonsense of Allied professions of democracy, equality, justice and so on—was noted and analysed extensively. And it continues to be remembered and condemned everywhere.

But we are not surprised that Mr. Winston Churchill should have forgotten nothing of his challenge and learnt nothing from its criticisms. He is a man who is proud more of his "Empire" than of the principles for which this war is supposed to be fought. We need not say more than this that Indians and all the peoples of the "Empire" hold the same opinion of Mr. Churchill and British intentions to-day as they did a year ago and, indeed, as they have always held. But one word must be added. Mr. Churchill, it will be recalled, took the earliest opportunity of excluding India and the Empire from the benefits of the Atlantic Charter. He has done so again. The present reiteration of his imperialist statement means that India and the British Empire are reserved from the implications of the Moscow decisions. It confirms our own suspicions and lends further justification to the question as to what kind of world America, Russia and Britain have designed as the post-war hope of humanity and what kind of structure they contemplate erecting which—as Mr. Churchill says with unconscious irony—will "secure the peace and freedom of mankind."

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Second Front In 1944

We have dealt elsewhere with what for us is the more significant aspect of Mr. Churchill's 1943 Guildhall speech. The military aspect is notable for its gratification regarding the past and promise of grim fighting in the future. He gave the good news that "we have broken the back of the U-boat war which at one time seemed our greatest peril". Never before had he spoken of the U-boat war in such confident manner. We may, therefore, take it that, although the Battle of the Atlantic will go on in some measure till the end of the war, it has for all practical purposes been won. That brings us to the problem, mainly dependant on this battle, the problem of the Second Front. On this subject Mr. Churchill spoke with a solemn realism which shows that the grim decision, with the full consciousness of the terrible cost, has been definitely taken by Britain and America. But, of course, Mr. Churchill made it amply clear that the Second Front will be launched in 1944.

Interim Experiment

There is no hint as to when it will be launched. But there is a Reuter's report from Washington which suggests that it will be preceded by a period in which an Anglo-American attempt will be made to secure Germany's surrender and victory "through air power". We do not believe that air power as at present enjoyed by the Allies can alone achieve victory. But if the experiment has been allowed it will naturally involve giving the air power an adequate period of time to make good its claim. And that period of time, in which 40 p.c. of German industrial capacity is to be knocked out will—with the resources of the Allies—take anything up to six months. We doubt if the Russians can consent to wait for "the date of the deadline" till May or June.

Mr. Pardiwala's Arrest

The arrest of Mr. H. R. Pardiwala at Lahore under the Defence of India Rules is a grave scandal and demands an explanation from the Punjab Government. Mr. Pardiwala, a well-known barrister of Bombay, was sent to Lahore by Messrs. Kanga & Co., Solicitors, to give instructions with regard to the "Habeas Corpus" petition filed before the High Court for the release of Mr. Jaiprakash Narain. He has also helped several political prisoners with legal advice and has appeared for them in law courts. The arrest of such a person in such circumstances naturally raises the suspicion that it is meant to frighten people out of any attempt to help political prisoners. If there is any basis for such a suspicion it is a serious affair, indeed. We are glad the Lahore Bar Association has taken up the matter and has made a "Habeas Corpus" petition against his arrest.

Crisis In Finland

While public opinion in Finland seems to be naturally exercised a good deal by the chilling prospects of the continuation of war against Russia, there appears to be no outstanding leader to give a definite, helpful lead on this issue. It is reported that two secret party meetings have been held in Helsinki to discuss the issue of a separate peace with Russia but their deliberations seem to have proved inconclusive if not abortive. Marshal Mannerheim and his henchmen still remain wholehogging followers of Hitler and unless the present Government in power is ousted, Moscow would not probably agree to open negotiations. After all it has a bitter recollection of what happened after the 1940 peace and it would not allow Finland to escape lightly the consequences of its betrayal. A first-class crisis is thus facing Finland and it remains to be seen how moderate Finnish opinion asserts itself for peace before the Soviet steam-roller turns north to exact a swift and final retribution.

Appeal To Municipal Voters

I am rather surprised to read in the newspapers that some anti-Congressmen have ventured to contest the ensuing Municipal By-Elections of the E. F. and G. Wards which will be held on Tuesday next. Evidently the results of the recent By-Elections in which the imprisoned Congress candidates were returned by thumping majorities have been lost upon them. However, I have not the least doubt in my mind that the Congress candidates in these Wards, who had lost their seats for no faults of their own, would be re-elected with flying colours. But to ensure the complete rout of these anti-Congress gentry, I would make an earnest appeal to all Congress-minded voters to roll in their thousands—without waiting for any conveyance—to their respective polling booths and record their votes solidly in favour of the Congress candidates.

J. C. MAITRA.

Reply To Mr. Moledina

In reply to Mr. G. A. Moledina's letter, I have to observe as follows:—(1) Will he please lend me a copy of Sir Azizlul Haque's article on "Three Seats"? (2) Will he also give us clear outlines of the Pakistan scheme? (3) If he desires to have an alternative to his Pakistan plan, he will find it in Sir Ardeshir Dalal's booklet—"An Alternative to Pakistan", Sir Ardeshir is too well known to be misunderstood.

B. F. BHARUCHA.

CONGRESS M.L.A'S TO OPPOSE ALL-WHITE COMMISSION

Plea For Inquiry Into Bengal Famine Situation By "Indian Public Men Of High Integrity"

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10.

Talks among the Congress members of the Central Assembly indicate their opposition to the constitution of a Royal Commission of Inquiry into the famine situation in Bengal. They contend that "all-White commission would do a white-washing job" and demand a commission of Indian public men of high integrity if there is a real intention to do something.

It appears the members suspect that the demand of the European Group and the Muslim League for a "Royal Commission" is an inspired one. This argument seemed to have prevailed at the meeting of the Congress members held today after question hour, and they would oppose the motion during the food debate.—United Press.

Demand For Royal Commission

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10.

Lobby talks show that a general agreement has been arrived at among four parties in the Assembly on the terms of the amendment to the Food Member's motion to take the situation into consideration. The European Group, the Muslim League, the Independent and Nationalist parties have agreed to the following draft:—

"This Assembly views with grave concern the tragic situation prevailing in Bengal and recommends to the Governor-General in Council to adopt immediately more vigorous and effective measures to cope with the famine in Bengal and to afford adequate relief to the other distressed parts of the country.

"This Assembly further recommends to the Governor-General in Council to take immediate steps for the appointment of a Royal Commission to enquire into and report 'inter alia' on the following points relating to the continued prevalence of famine conditions in Bengal and the unprecedented death rate resulting therefrom:—

(a) The cause of the present distress; (b) The degree of effectiveness of the steps taken to prevent or remedy the situation from time to time; (c) The suitability of the administrative organisation in charge of famine operations; (d) The adequacy or otherwise of the relief measures adopted by Government; (e) The accuracy or otherwise of mortality statistics and effect of the present famine on mortality rates; (e) The steps to be taken to counteract or mitigate the effects of starvation and malnutrition upon the younger generation; and (g) The measures to be taken to prevent a recurrence of the present trouble in any part of India."

Sir Mohammad Yamin Khan (Muslim League) and Mr. Hosseinbhoy A. Laljee, Leader of the Independent Party have given notice of the above amendment.—A. P.

71 DEATHS ON TUESDAY

CALCUTTA, Nov. 10: Seventy-one sick destitutes died in various hospitals in the city and suburbs yesterday and there were 123 new admissions. 92 persons were discharged from the hospitals during the day.—A. P.

KHAKSARS TO THE RESCUE

LAHORE, Nov. 10: Allama Mashriqi, the Khaksar leader, in a statement to the Press directs the Khaksar heads of all provinces to proceed to Calcutta immediately reaching there by November 15 to remove Bengal destitutes from the famine-stricken areas to the Khaksar centres outside Bengal for which he got permission from the Bengal Government.—United Press.

BAN ON POTATO EXPORTS

CALCUTTA, Nov. 10: The export of potatoes to any place outside the province of Bengal without a permit is prohibited by the Government of Bengal by an order under the D.I.R. Any quantity upto half a maund for private consumption is, however, exempted from the operation of the order.—A. P.

Starvation Deaths In Orissa

CUTTACK, Nov. 10

There were 72 deaths in Balasore during the week ending November 5 due to starvation.

This was announced by the Chief Secretary to the Orissa Government at a press conference this morning. Out of these, 13 occurred in Basta, including one from Remuna and one from Mayurbhanj, 19 occurred in Jalasore, including four from the relief areas and six unknown persons and 40 in Balasore town 5 of whom died in hospitals and others being picked up from streets by the A.R.P. Staff.

Thirteen untested deaths were reported from Puri and four from Ganjam during the week ending November 7. There was no death in Cuttack

R. P. Masani's Message For Armistice Day

The following are extracts from a statement issued by Sir Rustom Masani, Provincial Leader, National War Front, Bombay.

"On this day sacred to the memory of the heroes who fell during the war of 1914-18 we think with feelings of profound reverence of their struggle to uphold the cause of human freedom and civilization. In paying our homage to them we recall our deep debt of gratitude to them and our obligations to the dependants they have left behind. We remember, also, our gallant soldiers, sailors and airmen who have laid down their lives in the present struggle for the same cause and think of the brave sons of the Allied countries who are at the present moment continuing the struggle, even though their lives be the sacrifice.

DR. GHIA ON PAROLE

SURAT: Dr. Ghia, former President of the Surat Borough Municipality, has been released on one month's parole to enable him to attend to his sick wife.—A. P.

"BENGAL" STILL "ON THE JOB"

Anniversary Of Famous Action

(CONTRIBUTED)

"No Captain can do wrong if he places his ship alongside that of an enemy." Nelson's immortal precept is being lived up to in spirit if not in exact lineal measure, writes the "Naval Review" in a recent issue and, quoting examples, mentions "the fight of the little one-gunned BENGAL in the faithful performance of her duty as an escort in the Indian Ocean to give the tanker in her charge a chance of escape."

To-day, (November 11), on the first anniversary of BENGAL'S gallant fight against odds which, by all the rules of sea-warfare, should have been overwhelming, it is fitting to recall an exploit which has earned praise from naval men and commentators throughout the world.

A recent visit to BENGAL when she put into port after a spell of arduous escort duty on Indian Ocean routes showed she is still "on the job", covering many thousands of sea-miles in the past twelve months in the faithful performance of duties which, apart from infrequent "highlights" such as that which came her way on Armistice Day 1942, are onerous and monotonous.

On that day the little minesweeper, fresh from an Australian slipway and on her maiden voyage to India in company with the Dutch tanker ONDINA, sighted two Japanese armed merchant raiders each several times her size. Each raider was able to bring to bear, against BENGAL'S solitary 12-pounder gun, a broadside of several 5-inch guns—enough to blow her out of the water.

Unhesitatingly she proceeded to close the range and "engage the enemy more closely", thus living up to the finest tradition of British naval practice. Despite the hail of enemy fire she tackled the nearest raider, until with her sixth shell she hit the Jap in a vulnerable spot, causing it to blow up and sink. Thus were coolness, courage and good gunnery vindicated.

The second raider, which had been shelling ONDINA, gave up the fight and, after picking up survivors from her sister ship, withdrew. By this time BENGAL'S ammunition was almost exhausted and she broke off the chase. The tanker, who had also engaged the enemy most gallantly with her 4" gun, was badly damaged but her crew, who had taken to their boats, boarded her again and brought her safely to port.

Since then BENGAL has continued to range the high seas in her task of commerce protection. Many of the men who fought in this action are still in her ship's company. Her present commander is an Indian naval officer, and the ship is still inspired by the same intrepid spirit as brought such a rich reward in glory a year ago. Her action on that occasion typifies the determination with which India's Navy is prepared to meet the enemy, wherever he is to be found.

BRITISH OPINION ON INDIAN GOVT.'S DEFEAT

(From A Special Correspondent)

LONDON, Nov. 10

Political circles commenting on the Government of India's defeat in the Central Legislature on the opening day of the session point out that the only alternative course for the Government members is to resign and the formation forthwith of a National Government having the confidence and support of the Assembly.

Although the Indian delegation visiting Britain to talk on India's war effort may be instructed not to say one word on politics, still British people might be interested to know the real Indian political situation existing to-day with special reference to famine conditions.

To-day's 'Daily Worker' writing on the food situation in India says: "Foodships must be rushed to India. Trusted leaders of the Indian people should be released and their co-operation secured in fighting famine. Negotiations must be re-opened in order that India shall be granted the right to self-government immediately."

'Habeas Corpus' Petition Against Pardivala's Arrest

LAHORE, Nov. 10.

A 'Habeas Corpus' petition against the arrest of Mr. H. R. Pardivala, Barrister of Bombay, was moved to-day on behalf of the Lahore High Court Bar Association before a Division Bench consisting of the Chief Justice and Justice Sir Abdur Rahman. Their Lordships admitted the petition and issued a notice to the Crown returnable on November 16.

It will be recalled that Mr. Pardivala, who was arrested yesterday under the D.I.R. came to Lahore in connection with the 'Habeas Corpus' petition filed by Shrimati Purnima Banerji, a Congress worker of Allahabad, for the production in court and release of Mr. Jai Prakash Narain.—A. P.

M.L.A.s Urge Their Release On Grounds Of Health

LAHORE, Nov. 10.

A deputation consisting of Sheikh Sadiq Hasan, M.L.A., Sardar Santokh Singh, leader of the Opposition and Dr. Mohammad Alam, M.L.A., waited on Malik Khizr Hyatkhan, Premier of the Punjab this afternoon and urged the release of the civil disobedience and Security prisoners who have been ill in jail for a long time.

The deputationists mentioned certain prisoners whose release on grounds of health was particularly urgent. It was also stressed that there should be no distinction in the matter of treatment between the Security Prisoners and the Civil Disobedience Prisoners.

The Premier gave a sympathetic hearing and promised to examine the cases. He, however, expressed his inability to remove the distinction between the Civil Disobedience prisoners and the Security prisoners since this was an All-India matter but pointed out the facilities which had been provided for the Civil Disobedience prisoners.—A. P.

NO RETRANSFER OF DETENUS

MADRAS, Nov. 10.

The United Press learns that the Madras Government have turned down a request of the Madras detenus now in the Amraoti District Jail in the Central Provinces for re-transfer to Madras.

BAN ON FLAG-HOISTING

The Police Commissioner has permitted the holding of the first meeting of the South Indian National Students' Organisation in Madras on November 13 and 14, but has refused permission for the ceremonious hoisting of the National Flag.

NEW DELHI: An attempt was made to take out a procession last night in Chandni Chowk. The police soon arrived on the spot, arrested three persons holding Congress flags and dispersed the crowd. The arrested persons were produced to-day before a local Magistrate who remanded them to judicial lock-up.—United Press.

DELHI CONVICTIONS

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10

Mr. Ghulam Mohd., Resident Magistrate, New Delhi, to-day, convicted and sentenced Mr. A. K. Dutt and Mr. Vishwa Nath to three years' R.I. under D.I.R., for alleged preparation and possession of prejudicial literature. Mr. B. D. Joshi of the Finance Department and Mr. Shambhu were acquitted. Mr. Shambhu is now undergoing detention under D.I.R. 26.

KARACHI, Nov. 10: A motion of no-confidence in the Mayor, Lala Shambhunath Mulraj, has been tabled in the Karachi Municipal Corporation by five Councillors.—A. P.

CONGRESS SWEEPS POLLS

Mysore City Municipal Election Results

MYSORE, Nov. 9.

The Mysore Congress swept the polls in the elections to the Mysore City Municipal Council by capturing all the 24 seats open for contest.

Five candidates were returned unopposed while the results of elections which took place yesterday announced to-day revealed that all the remaining 19 seats went to the Congress.

The Council has a strength of 30, six members being nominated by the Government apart from the president who is also Government nominee.—A. P.

Ration Cards For Suburbs

The validity of the present ration cards in the Bombay Suburban District expires on December 18. The new ration cards will be distributed by the rationing staff of the Bombay Suburban District from November 10. The distribution work in Bandra will take place from November 10 to November 22; in Parle-Andheri from November 10 to November 19; in Kurla from November 12 to November 20 and in Ghatkopar from November 12 to November 17. Cards that may remain undistributed will again be distributed as under:—BANDRA: From November 23 to November 29. PARLE-ANDHERI: From November 20 to November 24. KURLA: From November 21 to November 25. GHATKOPAR: From November 18 to November 24.

The cards for members of a family who are stated to be living at the place will be delivered to the head of the family or in his absence to any adult member of the family and his signature taken in token of receipt.

Ordinance Case Before Federal Court

NEW DELHI, Nov. 10.

The dangers of relying upon the American doctrines for determining the limitations of the Legislative powers in India were pointed out by Sir Alladi Krishnaswamy Iyer, Advocate-General, Madras, in the Federal Court to-day, when further hearing of the ordinance 19 case was resumed.

The Advocate-General for India, Sir B. L. Mitter, further argued why American examples should not be relied on and proceeded to cite the passing of the Public Suits Validation Act of 1932, when the Privy Council had dismissed an appeal on the ground that the Provincial Governments had not given the right sanction to the institution of the charity case. There were at that time about 400 cases pending. Not only were the sanctions validated, but the decrees set aside and the suits kept open.

There was loud laughter in the Court, when Justice Sir Zafrullah remarked: "Strange that this and another instances of similar legislation occurred in 1931 and 1932." (Sir B. L. Mitter was Law Member in those days).

Sir B. L. Mitter was heard to say: "It shows how promptly things were done."

Justice Sir Zafrullah: "I suspect you are citing before us your own misdeeds." (Renewed laughter).

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

During the question hour, the Food Member felt particularly baffled when asked to explain the Secretary of State's statements, including his estimate of 1,000 deaths a week from famine. The Food Member would not admit that the information was supplied from India, and when pressed by Mr. Neogy to state how else it could have been obtained, said: "The India Office may have other independent sources."

Sir Frederick James followed up with the inquiry "how it was, at any rate in the early stages of this crisis, that the Secretary of State made such grossly inaccurate statements in the House of Commons, which every one in this country knew were not in accordance with the facts." The Food Member answered: "The question should be addressed to the Secretary of State."

—"Times of India" Report.

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"Last year, in 1942, I thought it right to say that I did not consider it any part of my duty to liquidate the British Empire. I do not conceal from you that I hold the same opinion to-day."

—Mr. Winston Churchill.

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This was not, said Mr. Churchill, the time for relaxation or soft thoughts on the joys of peace and victory.

But it was time for a stern insistence upon the joys of British Imperialism.

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Doctor M. R. Jayakar points out that no more than 35 to 50 M.P.'s were present while the House of Commons was discussing the miseries of 400 Million Indians during the food debate.

That, however, doesn't argue any dereliction of duty on the part of the rest of the 600 and odd. It shows a well-placed confidence in those who hold what is Britain's own on their behalf.

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From the alleged meagre attendance, Dr. Jayakar draws the moral that it is a nonsensical myth that 600 men can govern India from 7,000 miles away.

The moral that we draw is, however, slightly different from that of our distinguished compatriot.

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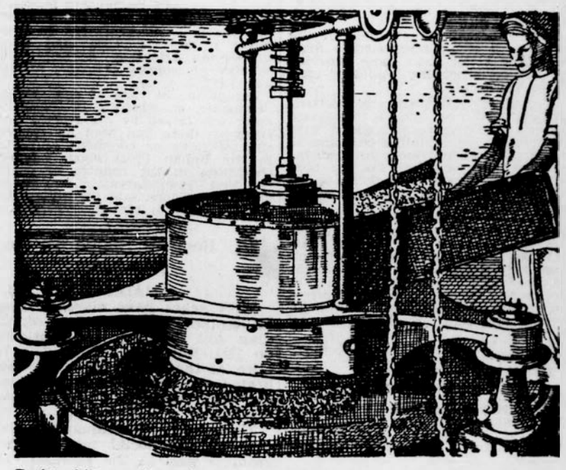
It is suggested that Government may accept the demand for a Royal Commission on the Food crisis in India.

But it will not, we hope, be allowed to inquire into the sources of Mr. L. S. Amery's information or similar irrelevant subjects in India and Bengal.

The Story of Tea No. 4



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To-day's Engagements

A MEETING OF HARDWARE MERCHANTS: In Luxmi Building, 2nd Floor, 43, Nagdevi Cross Lane at 4-30 p.m. today (Thursday) to discuss and adopt a draft constitution of the proposed Bombay Hardware Traders' Association.

HINDU SABHA MATUNGA: Annual general meeting today (Thursday) at 9-15 p.m. at Hari Niwas, Plot No. 147-A Hindu Colony, Dadar.

K. R. CAMA BIRTH ANNIVERSARY: A gathering at Library Hall (1st floor) of the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute 136 Apollo Street, Fort today (Thursday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.) when Essay Prizes will be awarded, and Principal A. A. A. Fyzee will give a discourse on "Islamic Culture." Diwan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri will preside.

Ramakrishna Mission Bengal Starvation Relief

Please send your contribution to the President, Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, Bombay. The Mission has been conducting Relief Operation not only in Calcutta and its suburbs but also in 16 other far off districts of Bengal.

The total receipt upto 6th November Rs. 246,482-3-3.

ALL NATIONS BALL: The 3 Arts senior Councillors, Messrs. Husein and L. N. Khanna have presented most beautiful gifts of a white Lizard skin from the Sunderban Mills, and a lovely piece of jewel, respectively to be auctioned, in the Ball.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS: Rev. H. Heras will speak at Sohrab F. Bharucha Architectural Library Prospect Chamber Annexe at 6-15 p.m., to-day (Thursday), on "The Greatest Architectural Puzzle of India".

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

Mr. Churchill made one of his great speeches at the Mansion House where he was the Chief Guest at the Lord Mayor's luncheon. Perhaps the reason of my reaction was that I was listening to him as an orator and not as the man who did not want to preside over the liquidation of the Empire. As a speech it was first class and he made three points which I did not see so well stressed in the morning papers. He said that 1944 would see the climax of the European War and if one read between the lines he seemed to suggest it would also mark the end of that phase of the war. Next he made the important point that while he rejoiced at the harmony of the Free French Committee, this committee would not be regarded as the custodians of France's future. That choice must be made by the people of France under more tranquil conditions. Thirdly, he referred to 1944 as important in that "by coincidence" it would be the Election Year in the United States. Again reading between the lines, I felt Churchill indicated a slight preference for the extension of President Roosevelt's term of office. As I said, it was only between the lines and it was my reading. But he emphasized the importance of 1944 so much and stressed that the thoughts in our mind should be first to give the soldier on the field the best possible chance, leaving aside all party conflict, etc., that I couldn't help feeling his reference to the coincidence that the Presidential Year was also in 1944 was not unintentional. In other words Churchill wants Roosevelt or as the U.S.O.W.I. would put it "Churchill Wants Falla".

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Churchill, however, said nothing about Bengal's famine. How could he at the sumptuous Lord Mayor's lunch?

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The Editor has received an invitation from the Art Society of India requesting his company at a Tea Party at the Cama Oriental Institute at 5-15 a.m.—A.M.!—Really that's too early for any editor.

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LEAGUER WINS ALLAHABUX'S SEAT

KARACHI, Nov. 10.

The Muslim League candidate Khan Bahadur Ahmed Khan Sadhayo, won the by-election in Shikarpur constituency caused by the death of Mr. Allahabux, former Premier of Sind. The result of the by-election which was declared in Sukkur to-day was as follows:—

Khan Bahadur Ahmed Khan Sadhayo (Muslim League) 6,191 votes; Khan Bahadur Haji Moulabux (Independent) 4,195 votes. Bad votes 493. Only seven votes were lost in the ballot-box which caught fire in one of the polling booths on the election day.—A. P.

ART SOCIETY OF INDIA'S TEA-PARTY TO JOURNALISTS

The Exhibition Committee of the Art Society of India will entertain City Editors and journalists at 5-15 p.m. to-day (Thursday) and NOT at 5-15 a. m. as mis-stated in the invitation card, at K. R. Cama Oriental Hall.

A PUBLIC MEETING OF WOMEN: Under the auspices of Bhatia Stree Mandal and other associations today (Thursday) at 6 p.m. in Gujarahti Hindu Stree Mandal's Hall, Vithalbhai Patel Road, Lady Taraben Chunilal Mehta will preside over the meeting which will request the Government of India to get the Select Committee's Report of the Intestate Succession Bill translated into the various provincial languages.

TELUGU SEVA SANGH: Fourth anniversary, Vithal Sayana Building, No. 1, Lohar Chawl, to-day (Thursday), at 6-15 p.m., Dewan Bahadur Narayanrao Sayana presiding.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY OF INDIA: Lecture and Demonstration on "The Lure of Landscape Photography" by Mr. F. R. Ratnagar, at the Society's premises at 195, Hornby Road, opp. New Book Company at 6-30 p.m.

CORPORATION VACANCY IN "B" WARD

The Bombay Municipal Congress Party invites applications on or before 20th November, 1943 for the vacancy on the Bombay Municipal Corporation in "B" Ward caused by the sad death of Dr. Punshi Meheshri.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Nov. 10.

The Governor of Bombay presented to Sir Mathuradas Vissanji, at Government House, the Letters-Patent conferring upon him the honour of Knighthood.

Preparations are being speeded up for holding the nineteenth annual session of the All-India Educational Conference at Jaipur, from December 27th to 30th, 1943, under the distinguished patronage of His Highness the Maharajah Saheb. Sir Maurice Gwyer, Vice-Chancellor of the Delhi University, will preside.

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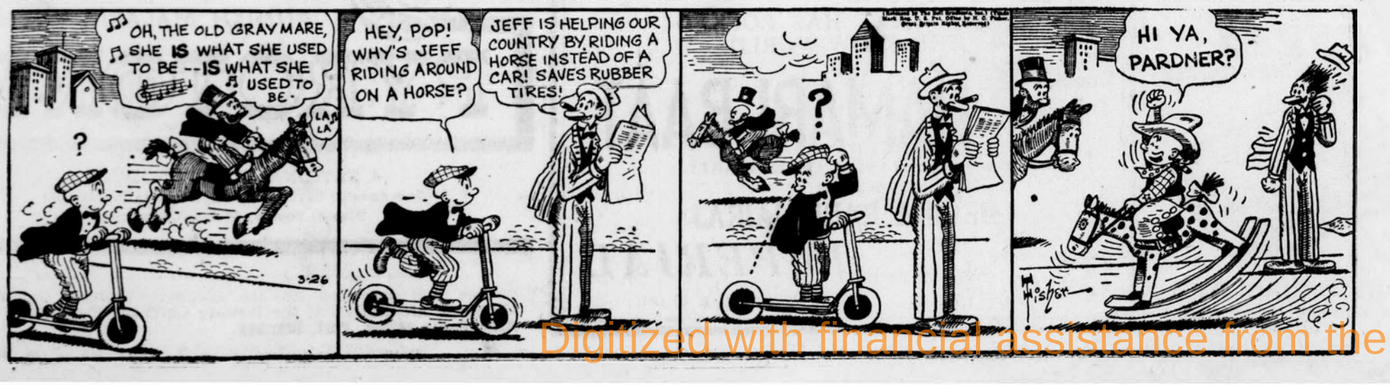
MUTT AND JEFF—Well, Cicero Goes in for Tire Rationing in a Small Way — By BUD FISHER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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Corporation will be held at the Registered Office of the Corporation, No. 9, Wallace Street, Fort, on Friday, the 10th December, 1943, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

I.—To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st May, 1943.
II.—To sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
III.—To elect a Director in place of Mr. A. L. Hutson, who retires by rotation, but who is eligible for re-election.
IV.—To appoint Auditors for the current year and to fix their remuneration.

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NOTICE

THE SCINDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

AT THE MEETING of the Board of Directors of the above Company held to-day the Board decided that in their judgment Dividend at the rate of Re. 1 per share and Bonus at the rate of As. 4 per share, free of Income-tax for the year ended the 30th June 1943 should be declared at the annual meeting.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
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SUIT NO. 1490 OF 1943

KANJI SHAMJI, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant, residing at DeLisle Road, without the Fort of Bombay, on behalf of himself and all other Creditors of Dostmahomed Ismail Janmahomed late of Bombay Khoja Inhabitant, residing at the time of his death at Warden Road, without the Fort of Bombay. ..... Plaintiff
versus
(1.) GULBANOOBAI, wife of Yusuf Ismailbhoy Lalji of Bombay Khoja Inhabitant, residing at Warden Road without the Fort of Bombay and (2) EKBAL SULTAN JANMAHOMED, of Bombay Khoja Inhabitant, residing at Warden Road, without the Fort of Bombay. Defendants

To,
The Creditors of the Estate of Dostmahomed Ismail Janmahomed, Deceased.

PURSUANT to the Order made by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Coyajee on the 2nd day of November, 1943, NOTICE is hereby given under Order 1, Rule 8, of the Code of Civil Procedure that this Suit has been filed by the abovenamed Plaintiff on behalf of himself and all other Creditors of the deceased Dostmahomed Ismail Janmahomed against the Defendants abovenamed praying inter alia for the following reliefs:—

(a) That the Defendants may be ordered to pay to the Plaintiff out of the Estate of the said deceased in their hands the sum of Rs. 6,408/- or such other sum as may be ascertained by this Hon'ble Court with interest thereon at 6 per cent per annum from 1st November 1943 till Judgment and on Judgment till payment.
(b) That the Estate of the said deceased may be administered by and under the directions of this Honourable Court.
(c) That the Defendants may be ordered to make a full discovery of the Estate of the said deceased.
(d) That the Defendants may be ordered to render an account of the administration and management by them of the estate of the said deceased and to pay to the estate the amount that may be found due by them on taking such account.
(e) That for the purposes aforesaid all accounts may be taken, inquiries made, directions given and Orders passed as to this Honourable Court may think fit.
(f) That pending the hearing and final disposal of the Suit some fit and proper person may be appointed Receiver of the estate of the said deceased with all necessary powers to collect the said estate.
(g) That the Defendants, their agents and servants may be restrained by an Order and Injunction of this Honourable Court from transferring, mortgaging or otherwise dealing with the property of the said deceased in any manner whatsoever.
(h) That the Plaintiff's costs of the Suit may be provided for.
(i) That such further and other reliefs may be granted as to this Hon'ble Court may seem fit and proper.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the hearing of this Suit has been fixed for Tuesday the 14th day of December 1943.

Dated this 10th day of November, 1943.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

G. G. MAHADEVIA
For Prothonotary & Senior Master.

This 10th day of November 1943.
Messrs. KHUNDERAO LAUD & CO.,
Plaintiff's Attorneys. (6762)

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G.I.P. RAILWAY

The Resident Engineer G.I.P. Railway, Lonavla, invites tenders upto 12 hours on 22-11-43 for carrying out white washing of railway buildings on the Lonavla Section. The Form of Tender, Schedule and Conditions of Contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2 per set. This sum will not be refunded (6761)

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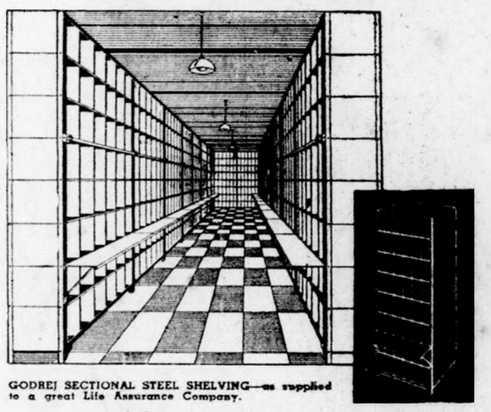

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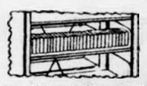

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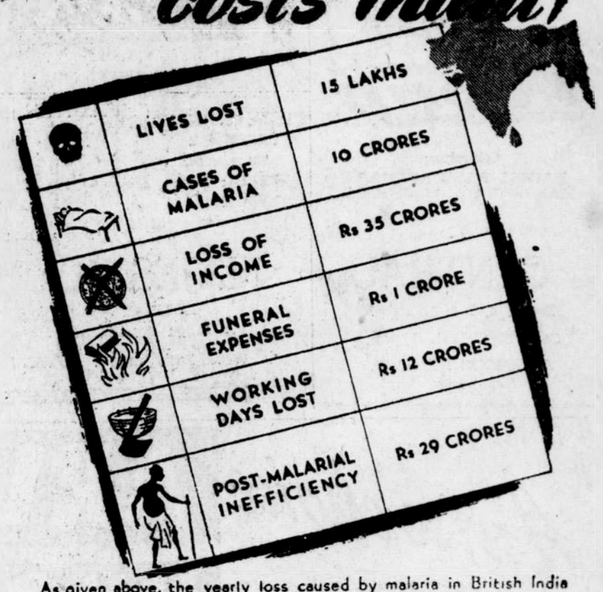

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